

REMARKS

This paper is responsive to a Non-Final Office action dated March 7, 2006. Claims 1-44 were examined. Claims 42 and 43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claims 1, 2, 20-23, 36-40 and 44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,501,734 to Yu et al. Claims 19 and 35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,816,947 to Yu in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,816,947 to Huffman. Claims 3-18, 24-34 and 41 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

Specification

New paragraph 1009.1 is added. New paragraph 1009.1 is supported at least by originally-filed claim 43. No new matter is added.

The specification is amended to correct grammatical errors.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 42 and 43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicants respectfully point the Examiner to originally-filed claims 42 and 43, new paragraph 1009.1, and paragraph 1045, which satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph with respect to claims 42 and 43. Applicants believe that claims 42 and 43 are allowable over the art of record. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 42 and 43 be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1, 2, 20-23, 36-40 and 44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,501,734 to Yu et al., (hereinafter, "Yu").

Claim 1 is amended to incorporate limitations of claim 10, which is indicated as allowable. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 1, and all claims dependent thereon, be withdrawn.

Claim 21 is canceled.

Claim 22 is amended to incorporate limitations of claim 32, which is indicated as allowable. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 22, and all claims dependent thereon, be withdrawn.

Claim 36 is amended to depend from claim 34, which is indicated as allowable over the art of record. Applicants believe that claim 36 is allowable for at least this reason. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 36 be withdrawn.

Claims 37 and 38 are canceled.

Claim 39 is amended to include limitations of claim 41, which is indicated as allowable over the art of record. Applicants believe that claim 39 is allowable for at least this reason. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 39, and all claims dependent thereon, be withdrawn.

Claim 44 is canceled.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 19 and 35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,816,947 to Yu in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,816,947 to Huffman, (hereinafter, "Huffman").

Claim 19 depends from amended claim 1, which Applicants believe is allowable over the art of record. Applicants believe that claim 19 is allowable for at least this reason. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 19 be withdrawn.

Claim 35 depends from amended claim 22, which Applicants believe is allowable over the art of record. Applicants believe that claim 35 is allowable for at least this reason. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 35 be withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 3-18, 24-34 and 41.

Claim 4 is rewritten in independent form and amended to correct a typographical error.

Claim 3 is amended to depend from claim 4, which is indicated as allowable over the art of record. Claim 7 is amended to depend from claim 9, which is indicated as allowable over the art of record. Claims 8 and 9 are rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, Applicants believe that claims 3, 7, 8, and 9 are allowable.

Claim 10 is canceled.

Claims 11 and 12 are rewritten in independent form.

Claim 14 is amended to depend from amended claim 22.

Claim 28 is rewritten in independent form.

Claim 32 is canceled.

Claims 33 and 34 are rewritten in independent form.

Claim 41 is canceled.

Additional Remarks

New claims 45-50 are added.

New claims 45 and 46 further claim the method of claim 4, which is indicated as allowable. New claims 45 and 46 are believed to be allowable for at least this reason.

New claims 47 and 48 further claim the method of claim 39, which is amended to include limitations of claim 41 that is indicated as allowable. New claims 47 and 48 are believed to be allowable for at least this reason.

New claims 49 and 50 further claim the apparatus of claim 43, which applicants believe is allowable, as discussed above. New claims 49 and 50 are believed to be allowable for at least this reason.

In summary, all claims are believed to be allowable over the art of record, and a Notice of Allowance to that effect is respectfully solicited. Nonetheless, if any issues remain that could be more efficiently handled by telephone, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the number listed below.

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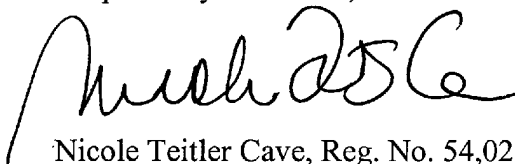
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